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# VISIT TO N. Y. KIDS

Financial District Takes Lead in Festivities to Continue Until Monday.

GIFTS FOR ALL CHILDREN

Bowling Green Association Gives Party for 200-Dinners at Army Posts.

Christmas feetivities began yesterday n many sections of the city, with the district taking the lead. The Maritime Exchange held its annual cele-ration for the children from the Home Seamen's Children, New Brighton. Entertainments and gifts were given for the soldier patients at Seaton Hospital, Riverdale, and at some of the city institutions. Two hundred children had their party as guests of the Bowling

Green Neighborhood Association. There are so many organizations wishing to give the children of the poor merry Christmas and there is such an my of children to be taken care of that there are not hours enough for all three day celebration over Saturday.

and transferred to Ellis Island, where wants a smaller balcony. The audi-

grants off the ships now in the harbor and transferred to Ellis Island, where they can be served a Christmas dinner and children and 722 men now on the island, and 765 geboard four steamships.

Hundreds of tiny children had their fast Christmas at the Bowling Green Years of hour and received their presents. The youngsters, to walk, had their party. There roceived their presents. The youngsters, to walk, had their party. There 1000 families in the district where the association works among the poor. The will be surged at Governory Island, Forts Hamfiton, Wadsworth, Slocum and other poets. Mess halls are being decorated and there are trees for the youngsters at the posts.

Mrs. George W. Loft, Honorary Deputy Police Commissioner, held out firmly in favor of presenting dolls to the girls attending the Christmas party at the women's precinct. 434 West Thirty seventh street, to-morrow afternoon, when others insisted "practical" presents should be quade. "What is Christmas at to a little girl without a doll?" she saked, and the opposition subsided. Mayor Hylan will attend this party. Three hundred and fifty of the poorer children of the neighborhood are invited. Shoes and a stockings and warm clothing have been provided for many.

The children of the Sunday school of the Episcopal Chapel of the Intercession will pay tribute to-morrow venting to Dr. Clement C. Moore, author of Thirty graveyard at 157th street and Riverside Drive, according to their annual custom.

COOLIDGE INVITES PAGES.

Vincent Astor.

Seeing "Good Morning, Dearie," at the Globe were Mr. and Mrs. Cornellus, N. Bliss, Miss Elizabeth A. Bliss, Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Fuller, Miss Eugenia M. Fuller, Rev. Dr. George Clarke Houghton, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Noel Rawlins, Mrs. William Scott Pyle, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin M. Post, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Edwin M. Post, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Edwin M. Post, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, Miss Barbara Whitney, Mrs. and Mrs. Alice McLean.

"A Bill of Divorcement" was seen at the Times Square by Mr. and Mrs. Legella, Jr., will present to-morrow night for the first time two new livation of South Africa, made known in the whitney disable and the Actors' probable addition of South Africa, made known in

NOTES OF THE THEATERS.

The members of the cast of "Green Jade," which opens in Washington next Monday, attended last night's performance of "Just Married" at Nora Bayer's Theater.

Jennie Basta, 5 years old, of 219 Park plot, Astoria, L. L. sesterday received the foll which is given away at each mattine performance of "Get Together" to the juvenile occupant of the Hippodrome seat which is picked by Jennie, the shimmying elephant.

Alfred Goulet, winner of the six day blogder and the process of the six day blogder in the process of the process of the seat of the process of the seat six winner of the six day blogder and the process of the seat six winner of the six day blogder in the process of the process of the seat six winner of the obligations.

PARCEL POST INCREASING.

Waiter C. Burton, Postmaster of Brooklyn, said yexterday there has been pany has revised the prices of seats of the parcel post business this real surface.

### New Holiday Traffic Record Is Predicted

OLIDAY passenger traffic on the railroads hereabouts promises to set some new is. The rush began Wednesday, increased yesterday and will be still greater to-day, when all through trains will be run in sec-tions. The peak of travel is expected Monday afternoon, when the rush back to town will necessitate the running of some trains into the Grand Central Terminal in six sections. It is estimated that 750,000 persons will have passed through the Grand Central and Pennsylvania stations in three days ending to-morrow. This is about 150,000 more than the average for three days. Other roads centering here are expected to swell the total by about 75,000.

## Miss Billie Burke to Build Theater for Her Own Plays

Says Site Has Been Acquired for Home for Her Repertoire Company.

Miss Billie Burke, star of "The Inti mate Strangers," said in her dressing the parties planned for the wonderful room at Henry Miller's Theater last night that an uptown site had at last and Monday. For that reason many of been obtained where she and her husthe organizations gave their parties yes- band. Florenz Ziegfeld, Jr., expect to terday and many others will celebrate creet a theater of her own. The playhouse, she said, will be of a type similar Immigration officials began speeding to Henry Miller's Theater, which is up the work of trying to get all immi- looked upon as a model of theatrical grants off the ships now in the harbor construction, except that Miss Burke

to Dr. Clement C. Moore, author of "Twas the Night Before Christmas," by strewing evergreens over his grave in Trinity graveyard at 157th street and Riverside Drive, according to their annual custom.

COOLIDGE INVITES PAGES.

Wice-President to Follow Marshall Precedent With Dinner.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Vice-President Coolidge informed Senate pages to-day he would continue the custom carried out by his predecessor, Thomas R. Marshall, of giving a Christmas dinner for them. The Vice-President's two sons also will attend the dinner.

Among those at the Belasco to see "Kiri" last night were Mr. and Mrs. Vineent Astor.

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Films showing the vivid life, rugged wildness and the ancient ruins of North Africa were screened at Aeolian Hall last evening by the French Line, which is conducting a series of automobile excursions into Moroccoand Algeria The pictures took the spectators through many places unfamiliar to American tourists, showing scenes of Moslem life, great Moorish palaces, Sahara oases and others in the picture are Misses of this, he pointed out that the Los

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"UNCLE TOM" ON PARADE.

committee under the chairmanship of Theodore Roberts designed to make the motion picture actors a factor in local government. The secretary also referred to this comment in the official publication of the Equity:

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The New York Theater Club occupied 156 seats at last night's performance of "Boneoe" at Joison's Fifty-ninth Street Theater. Howard Marsh, who sings the tono lead in "Blossom Time" at the Ambassador Theater is entertaining over the holidays his passants, who reside in Indianapolis and are making their first vist here. His father is State Auditor of Indiana.

The "Ha Ha Club" of Irving Berlin's "Musele Box Revue" will hold a Christmas party to-merrow night at the Volain, with Joseph Santley of the revue and William S. Norton, manager of the Music Box Theater, among the guests of the young women composing the club.

There will be extra matines of "The Circle" at popular prices at the Selwan Theater both next week and the week following on Monday, Thursday and Friday.

Sam Liveney, English actor, who has played in more than 220 meiodramas, will make his American debut next Monday night at the Knickerbocker Theater, when Charles Dillingham presents "Fulldeg Drummond," the London thriller, with A. E. Matthwas featured.

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Marthettl and others. The new combined with the new combined that the new combined that the new combined that the new combined that the same scale will be sold to night at from 50 cents to \$2 each, and the same scale will prevail on Saturday. He said that notwithstanding the great rush of Christmas business, mall was being satisfactorily handled evenings and for Wednesday matiness \$1.50 will be the top price,

## UNSEXED WOMAN HEROINE IN COSMO HAMILTON'S 'DANGER'



Miss Marie Goff and H. B. Warner in "Danger."

War Blames War for the Way Leading Character Conducts Herself-H. B. Warner Returns.

"DANGER," comedy drama of to-day, by offered to open it if he would turn come Hamilton:

Gilda Leary against all his political principles for

Mr. Hamilton blames the war for the way the heroine of his new play conducts herself in matrimony. There is also said to be a new "sex" angle revealed in the work. Yet after all one may with moderate certainty rely on Mr. Hamilton is rarely guilty of that mistake.

The ambitious as she. At all events there were no doors locked in the last act. There was, indeed, little or nothing left lock up., Certainly there were no secrets. Nothing had been left unsaid. Mr. Hamilton is rarely guilty of that mistake.

The ambitious wife of the future statesman did not appear to shock the

may with moderate certainty rely on Mr. Hamilton for novelty in this part of any play. He is a tireless student of sex argles, old and new.

It is open to question, however, whether the war created the unsexed hussy who posed as the heroine of the new play or whether the war had anything to do with her existence. There in fiction. She was more conspicuous in "Mile. Giraud Ma Femme" possibly, although she has been seen in other manifestations. Last night she called heries a modernist, an individualist and other emancinated and independent kind of the play. Miss Marie Goff, who is not a skilled actreas, drew the perverse heroine with no shades. With her everything is black or white.

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Secretary Says Organization
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The affiliation of the Actors' Equity
Association of America with the Actors'
Association of England and the Actors'
Federation of Australasia, with the
probable addition of the actors' organization of South Africa, made known in SHOW NORTH AFRICA FILMS. row night for the first time two new living pletures in the "Midnight Frolic" on The New York Herald yesterday, is

Frances Whitmore, Madge Merritt, May Angeles branch of the Equity, which recently joined the Hollywood Cham-Norman Trevor will make his bow as an actor-manager with "The Married Woman," by Chester Balley Fernald, at the Princess Theater to-morrow might.

Miss Ethel Levey will begin at the Palace will appear Misses Kitty Kelly, Edna will appear Misses Kitty Kelly. Edna will appear Misses Kitty Kelly, Edna will appear Misses Kitty Kelly. Edna will appear Misses Kitty Kelly.

prevent a suicide in the same old way. H. B. Warner, always a natural and easy actor, played with his usual polish, but seemed strangely lacking in force when that quality was necessary. Lessile Howard as a fatuous young father gave a touch of healthy sentiment to the performance. It was needed,

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 .- The passing of Col. Henry Watterson from the arena of American political and newspaper life

of Col. Henry Watterson from the arena of American political and newspaper life brought forth genuine expressions of sorrow in the National Capitol, where he had many friends among members of both political parties. President Harding was notified of his death as soon as the news was received, and while the President made no formal comment it is known he was much shocked. The news was also sent to the home of former President Woodrow Wilson.

Col. Watterson was eulogized in the House of Representatives by Representative Barkley of Kentucky as a man whose name was a household word in every Kentucky home and in almost every American home. He declared no journalist now living and few who are dead exercised more influence on the nation than the dead Kentuckian, who at one time was a member of the House. Representative Mann of Illinois said Col. Watterson had never been afraid to express his beliefs, although he was often criticized severely by the readers of his mewspaper. Mr. Mann declared Col. Watterson and other editors of the old school exerted an influence that would be felt for generations, and that they never allowed the counting room of their newspapers to determine their editorial or news policies.

"I knew Col. Henry Watterson for a great many years," said Chief Justice William Howard Taft. "He and my father were friends. He was a unique figure in the political and social life of the country. He was a most able journalist, picturesque, forcible and original in every position he took and in every cause he advocated. He was eloquent, chivalrous, courageous in contest, an old time leader in journalism, a charming gentleman, a warm friend and a patriotic American, whose brilliancy, knightly character and human nature made a deep leavester and human nature made a deep leavester and human nature made a deep leavester and human nature.

and a patriotic American, whose brilliancy, knightly character and human nature made a deep impression on his fellow citizens and won their affectionate respect. He will long be fondly remembered. We shall all miss him much. His going makes a void."

Senator Hitchcock (Neb.), himself an editor, said:

people who have read with keen interest his matchless editorials will learn of his death with the keenest sorrow."

Senator Swanson (Va.) said:
"Col. Watterson was without exception the most brilliant publicist and journalist of his day and generation. He was most lovable, generous and kind and his loss will be felt deeply."

Senator Harris (Ga.) said the death of Col. Watterson is a "blow to the country." Then he added that no journalist of this generation has done so much good for his country as Col. Watterson.

Senator Ransdell (La.) made these comments:

"Col. Watterson was a remarkable man and I believe one of the ablest editors of his time and certainly a most

national characters," said Senator Me Nary (Ore.), "and he was one of the greatest editorial writers of this age."



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